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## CHESTNUT BLIGHT INCREASE.

A new map of West Virginia pre-  
pared by the Federal bureau of  
plant industry shows that the dread-  
ed chestnut blight is greatly on the  
increase in West Virginia.

The trees in every county of the  
state are infected, the percentages  
running from 5 in Mason county to  
100 in the three eastern-most coun-  
ties. This disease has spread from  
the north and east and, therefore,  
shows the highest percentages of  
infection in the eastern and north-  
ern counties. The whole central  
section shows infections ranging  
from 16 to 92 per cent.

Within five years practically all  
the chestnut timber in the state  
will have contracted this disease  
and in another five years scarcely  
any living trees of this species can  
be found.

Very little hope is held out by  
the disease specialists for a strain  
of native trees that will show im-  
munity. If such does appear it  
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ery of former conditions could be  
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